

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES.

APRIL 13, 1858.—Ordered to be printed.

Mr. JONES submitted the following

REPORT.

*The Committee on Pensions, to whom was referred the "petition of Doct. Adam Hays, for arrears of pension from the disbanding of the army the 15th June, 1815, to the 30th of January, 1838, when his pension was first received," have had the same under consideration, and beg leave to submit the following report:*

The petitioner was a surgeon in the army during the war of 1812. While in the service he contracted disease, which resulted in a hernia, which, continuing to become more and more troublesome and dangerous, at length produced "total disability;" for which, in January, 1838, he was allowed a pension, at the rate of \$22 50 per month. He now asks "arrears" from the time he left the service.

The Committee on Pensions have, on two former occasions, reported adversely on this petition, since which time nothing has been presented which would induce them to reverse their opinion. The pension now allowed is up to the full rate for total disability; and the committee are not able to see, in the case of this petitioner, any good reason for a departure from the provisions of the law of 1822, which prescribes that all pensions shall be allowed only from the time of the completion of the proofs. They therefore recommend that the prayer of the petitioner be denied.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

January 12, 1882—Ordered to be printed

Mr. Jones submitted the following

REPORT

The Committee on Finance, to whom was referred the petition of John Adams, filed for relief from the disability of the law of 1812, in the year 1812, to the year of January, 1882, when the petition was filed, have had the same under consideration, and do hereby submit the following report:

The petitioner was born in the year 1812, the year of 1812. When in the service he was wounded and disabled, which resulted in a pension, which he was allowed to receive, more or less, until his death, which occurred at length, in the year of 1882, at the age of 70 years. In 1882, he was allowed a pension, at the rate of \$32.00 per month. For the "military" service, from the time he left the service, in the year of 1812, the Committee on Finance have, on two former occasions, reported adversely on this petition, since which time nothing has been done. A bill would have been introduced to reverse their opinion. The pension was allowed to him at the rate of \$32.00 per month, and the same amount is now allowed to him at the rate of \$32.00 per month, which is not able to pay in the case of this petitioner, any more reason for a separate from the pension at the law of 1812, which provided that all pensions shall be allowed only from the time of the completion of the service. They therefore recommend that the prayer of the petitioner be denied.